Introduced by Assembly Member Pan

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 11—Relative to the Lunar New Year 4709 celebration.

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ACR 11, as introduced, Pan. Lunar New Year 4709 Celebration. This measure would recognize the Lunar New Year 4708 celebration. Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, February 3, 2011, will mark the beginning of the
- 2 Lunar New Year 4709, which is celebrated in many Asian
- 3 communities around the world, including the United States, and
- 4 especially California; and
- 5 WHEREAS, California is home to over 5 million Asian and
- 6 Pacific Islander Americans of Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese,
- 7 Filipino, Hmong, Indian, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Japanese, Korean,
- 8 Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, and
- 9 Vietnamese descent; and
- 10 WHEREAS, The Asian and Pacific Islander American
- 11 community has contributed to the social, cultural, civic, economic,
- 12 and academic success of the state; and
- WHEREAS, The lunar new year is predominantly celebrated
- 14 by the 1.7 million Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese residents of
- 15 California; and

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WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year 4709 is the Year of the Rabbit and is universally celebrated by these communities as a time to renew family ties and to start the new year with a clean slate; and WHEREAS, The celebration of the lunar new year in communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich cultural history and commitment to racial, religious, and cultural diversity; now, therefore, be it

8 Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring, That the Members join Asian and Pacific Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating February 10 3, 2011, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year 4709 and extend 12 best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous lunar new year to all 13 Californians; and be it further

14 Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies 15 of this resolution to the authors for appropriate distribution.